

Eddie A. Perez Mayor

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MAYOR PEREZ SAYS INTERNSHIPS PROVIDE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

WANTS HARTFORD STUDENTS TO LEARN FROM TOP EMPLOYERS

WHAT: 1st Annual Internship Recruitment Fair

WHEN: Wednesday, January 4, 2006 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: Hilton Hotel, Downtown Hartford

WHO: Mayor Eddie A. Perez

MetroHartford Alliance Our Piece of the Pie (OPP)

30 employers

Mayor Perez and the City of Hartford are pleased to team up with the MetroHartford Alliance and Our Piece of the Pie (OPP) so that Hartford students can apply for internships with the top employers in the City and the region.

Mayor Perez says, "A college education and internships provide access to networking opportunities. Hartford residents attending colleges and universities can gain valuable skills by working with our top-notch companies and give them the competitive edge they need for the jobs of the 21^{st} Century. The goal is to get our residents to reinvest their skills back into the City."

The goal of the Mayor's Higher Education Initiative is to attract an increased number of Hartford residents graduating from colleges and universities to live and work in the Capital City.

For more information on the Mayor's role, please contact Sarah Barr, Director of Communications at (860) 522-4888 x6217.